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SUBJ: PRESS REPORTS OF USG AIRCRAFT SUPPLY TO ISRAEL

1. SYRIAN PRESS AND RADIO FEBRUARY 1, FEATURE NY TIMES REPORT THAT IN NEXT FEW DAYS USG "WILL PRESENT MEMORANDUM TO ISRAEL ALLOWING IT TO PURCHASE AN UNLIMITED NUMBER AMERICAN-MADE F-14 OR F-15 AIRCRAFT." PRESS ADDED, QUOTING ISRAELI RADIO, THAT NY TIMES POLITICAL CORRESPONDENCE SAID "AFTER STATE DEPARTMENT APPROVAL OF THE MEMORANDUM IT WILL AUTOMATICALLY BECOME A CONTRACT."

2. COMMENT: GROMYKO ARRIVES DAMASCUS THIS AFTERNOON FOR TWO DAY VISIT. WOULD LIKE PROVIDE PRESIDENCY TODAY IF AT ALL POSSIBLE ANY BACKGROUND AND COMMENT DEPARTMENT WOULD CONSIDER HELPFUL ON NY TIMES STORY.

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